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Montana College Preparatory Curriculum Program 2012 – 2013 Academic Year
Butte High School ------------------------------------- Last Updated September 22, 2010

English: Minimum Core – 4 years.	**Social Studies: Minimum Core – 3 years.**
In each year the content of the course should have an emphasis upon the development of written and oral communication skills and literature.	The courses shall include Global Studies (such as World History or World Geography); American History; and Government, Economics, Indian History or other third year courses.
English: Rigorous Core – 4 years.	**Social Studies: Rigorous Core – 3 years.**
Recommendation: a designated college-prep composition or research writing course.	As above, with recommendation: one half year or more of other courses such as psychology, humanities.

Yearlong English courses including Composition Speech, and Literature:	Students must complete a full year of global studies such as World History or World Geography, a full year of American History, and an additional year in another social studies field such as economics, government, psychology, sociology, tribal government, or Indian Ed for All. (Per Joyce A. Scott, Deputy Commissioner Academic & Student Affairs, April 2002.)
Business English	
English 1, 2, 4	
Honors English 1, 2	
Honors English 3/ American History (English Section)	*Global Studies:*
AP Senior English	Current World Events
	World History
Other English courses which must be combined in such a way that each year's combination includes Composition, Speech, and Literature:	World Cultures
	American History:
	U.S. History/ American History
	Honors American History/ English 3 (Social Studies)
Composition:	*Additional Social Studies Courses:*
Composition	American Government
Speech:	AP American Government
N/A	Economics
Literature:	Psychology (MDA)
English Literature	Sociology
American History/ Literature Honors	Law and Our Society
	Montana History/Geography

Math: Minimum Core – 3 years.	**Science: Minimum Core – 2 years.**
Courses shall include Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II (or the sequential content equivalent of these courses). Students are encouraged to take a math course in their senior year. NOTE: In school systems where a student may take Algebra I in 8th Grade, the student still must complete 3 years of college preparatory math in High School. (Per Richard A. Crofts, Commissioner of Higher Education, 1995.) **Math: Rigorous Core – 4 years.** A course beyond Algebra II or beyond Integrated Math III (such as Trigonometry, PreCalculus, Calculus, Computer Math, Integrated Math IV).	Two years of laboratory science: One year must be earth science, biology, chemistry or physics. The other can be one of the courses listed below or another approved college preparatory lab science. **Science: Rigorous Core – 3 years.** One full year of general earth science, biology, and chemistry or physics.

Satisfies Minimum Core:	*Lab Science Courses:*
Algebra 1, 2	Honors Biology
Algebra 2 Honors	Intro to Chemistry and Physics
Geometry	Chemistry
Geometry Honors	AP Chemistry
Satisfies Rigorous Core:	Honors Physics
Advanced Math (Trigonometry)	*Additional Science Courses:*
Advanced Math (Statistics)	Environmental Biology
Pre-Calculus	Human Anatomy and Physiology
Calculus/ AP Calculus	Oceanography (MDA)

Electives: Minimum Core – 2 years, chosen from the following.
World Language (preferably 2 years); computer science, visual and performing arts, or vocational education units which meets the Office of Public Instruction (OPI) guidelines.

Electives: Rigorous Core – 3 years, chosen from the following.
Two years of second language, music, fine arts, speech and debate, career and technical education (such as information technology (IT) or computer science).

Career, Vocational and Technical Education:	*Music:*
Beginning Auto	Music
Auto Mechanics	*Fine Arts and Speech & Debate:*
Advanced Auto Mechanics	Advanced Art 1, 2, 3
Advanced Carpentry	Art Design
Building Technology	Intermediate Art
Business Tech/ Keyboard	Journalism, Annual
CAD Key	Journalism, Newspaper
Career Keyboard	*World Language:*
Cisco	Chinese (MDA)
Computer Applications 1, 2	French 1, 2, 3
Family Consumer Science 1, 2	German 1, 2, 3
HTML/Front Page	Latin (MDA)
Industrial Tech	Spanish 1, 2, 3
Personal Business	
Software Applications/Graphics	
Tech Basics and Money Management	
Virtual Business	
Visual Basic Programming/Java	
Welding, Intermediate	